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1. MEMBERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL STAFFS
AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY AND CONSULATES WHO ARE NON-IMMIGRANT
ALIENS MAY IMPORT OR WITHDRAW FROM CUSTOMS BONDED WAREHOUSE
DUTY AND TAX-FREE ARTICLES INCLUDING SPIRITS AND TOBACCO
FOR SIX MONTHS AFTER INSTALLATION.

2. EXTENSION OF CONTINUING FREE ENTRY THIS CATEGORY
PERSONNEL CURTAILED JANUARY 1, 1968 DUE WITHDRAWAL OF
PRIVILEGE IN AUSTRALIA. EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON INFORMED BY
NOTE NOVEMBER 20, 1967, THAT, ALTHOUGH FREE ENTRY WOULD NOT
BE ACCORDED IN AUSTRALIA TO "HIGH DUTY GOODS, SUCH AS
LIQUOR, ETC., IMPORTED SEPARATELY FROM AND SUBSEQUENTLY TO
THAT PERSON'S PERSONAL AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS AND
FURNITURE," PERSONNEL HERE WOULD BE ABLE TO OBTAIN LIQUOR
AND TOBACCO IMPORTED AT ANY TIME WITHIN SIX-MONTH PERIOD.
EMPLOYEES DO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF THIS PRIVILEGE AND NORMALLY

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PLACE ONE WAREHOUSE LIQUOR WITHDRAWAL ORDER, SOMETIMES FOR
AS MANY AS 20 CASES.

3. DEPARTMENT UNAWARE WHETHER MEMBERS ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL STAFFS OBTAIN LIQUOR FROM DIPLOMATIC STAFF OR CONSULAR OFFICERS OR THAT EMBASSY PROVIDES SPIRITS AND TOBACCO TO VISITING OFFICIALS.

4. MILITARY PERSONNEL STATIONED WASHINGTON AREA NORMALLY ATTACHED TO EMBASSY AND EXTENDED PRIVILEGES ACCORDINGLY. UNDER CUSTOMS REGULATIONS UNIVERSALLY APPLICABLE TO FOREIGN MILITARY, BY DIRECT APPLICATION TO CUSTOMS, FREE ENTRY IS ACCORDED TO ARTICLES IMPORTED BY MILITARY PERSONNEL STATIONED THROUGHOUT U.S. AND TO SUPPLIES OBTAINED BY FOREIGN NAVAL VESSELS IN U.S. PORTS. INDIVIDUALS ARE RESTRICTED TO ONE CASE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PER MONTH.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL STAFF OF AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY EXEMPT FROM INDIRECT FEDERAL GASOLINE TAX AND ENJOY EXEMPTION ALL DIRECT TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF VIENNA CONVENTION ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. CONSULAR ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL STAFF DO NOT ENJOY EXEMPTION.

6. FRIDAY EVENING "PRAYER MEETINGS" TAKE PLACE IN OFFICERS MESS WITHIN EMBASSY CHANCERY. MESS OPERATES ON MEMBERSHIP BASIS, WITH MEMBERS LIMITED TO AUSTRALIAN DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL OR MILITARY WITH MILITARY ENTITLEMENTS. DRINKS SERVED BUT NOT SOLD. AMERICANS AND OTHER NON-AUSTRALIANS ARE INVITED AS GUESTS ON REPRESENTATIONAL BASIS. CASEY

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